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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

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Director, Intelligence Community Staff

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Miss Eloise R. Page

Deputy Director, Intelligence Community Staff

SUBJECT:

Cabinet Council on Commerce and Trade (CCCT) Meeting,

Wednesday, 15 December 1982

I attended the 15 December CCCT meeting on the LANDSAT and METSAT programs. The consensus was that bids should be let allowing the contractors to come up with their own proposals as to mix of satellites. I raised on your behalf the question of the national security implications of commercialization, stressing the concern of the Intelligence Community that commercialization would pose a threat both from the point of view of technology transfer as well as from the fact that such commercialization would considerably enhance the intelligence capabilities of other countries, including specifically the USSR. I added that we would recommend incremental commercialization, beginning with land remote sensing systems. I stressed that, as a minimum, recommendation #1 should be modified to provide that specific recommendations for modification of the satellites to protect national security interests be reviewed by the SIG(Space), and that contractual arrangements involved in the transfer process be subject to detailed national security and foreign policy guidelines prior to RFPs so that the additional costs necessary for maximizing security protection of the satellites be factored in prior to contract negotiation.

2. In summing up the consensus of the meeting, Secretary Baldrige said to me that, of course, national security concerns are most important and would have to be addressed.

Eloise R. Page

Attachment:

List of Participants

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CABINET COUNCIL ON COMMERCE AND TRADE

December 15, 1982

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Wendell Gunn, Executive Secretary
Becky Norton Dunlop, Director, Office of Cabinet Affairs

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John McElroy, Assistant Administrator for Satellites

Additional Attendees:

James Cicconi, Special Assistant to the President and
Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff
Nancy Risque, Special Assistant to the President for
Legislative Affairs
Annelise Anderson, Associate Director for Economics and
Government, OMB
Gilbert Rye, Senior Staff Member, National Security Council
George Keyworth, Science Advisor to the President and
Director, OSTP
William Niskanen, Member, Council of Economic Advisers

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